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NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINERS **MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 2016**

PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES

I. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

The regular meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Psychological Examiners was held at 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey in the Hudson Conference Room, 6th floor on Monday, January 4, 2016 at 9:45 A.M. Nancy E. Friedman, Ph.D., Board Chair, opened the meeting by reading the following opening statement:

In accordance with Chapter 231 of P.L. 1975, the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by mail to the Office of the Secretary of the State of New Jersey, The Star Ledger, The Trenton Times, The Record and the Courier Post.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:

Nancy E. Friedman, Ph.D., Chair
Loretto A. Brickfield, Ph.D., Vice-Chair
Amie Wolf-Mehlman, Ph.D., Secretary
Anne R. Farrar-Anton, Ph.D., Board Member
Alan Groveman, Ph.D., Board Member
Michael A. Siglag, Ph.D., Board Member
Valerie D. Scott, Ed.D., Board Member

Absent:

Sean Evers, Ph.D., Board Member

Also Attending:

Carmen A. Rodriguez, Deputy Attorney General, Counsel to the Board
J. Michael Walker, Executive Director
Wanda Ginn, Administrative Staff
ToniAnn Petrella-Diaz, Confidential Assistant

III. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Walker discussed with the Board that Dr. Evers cannot serve on the Continuing Education Committee due to a conflict of interest. Dr. Farrar-Anton volunteered to fill the opening on the Committee.

The Board discussed informing permit holders of the option to put their permits on an inactive status for maternity leave, or medical leave, then reactivate it once they can return.

Upon motion made by Dr. Groveman, and seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the Board voted to include information regarding inactive status available for review on the Board of Psychological Examiners' website www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/psy under the FAQ's, to add the information to the cover letter sent out to new permit holders, and to add language regarding the importance of reviewing the website at all times for updates to permit holders, and all licensees for psychology. Voting in favor: all.

IV. REVIEW OF OPEN SESSION MINUTES

The Board reviewed the December 7, 2015 open session minutes.

Upon motion made by Dr. Brickfield, and seconded by Dr. Groveman, the Board voted to approve the December 7, 2015 public minutes, as amended. Voting in favor: all.

V. REPORT ON JURISPRUDENCE EXAMINATIONS

Upon unanimous vote of all the members present, the Board went into executive session for discussion of the jurisprudence examinations. The Board returned to open session.

LICENSED BY EXAMINATION

Upon motion made by Dr. Farrar-Anton, and seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the following candidates qualified for licensure. Voting in favor: all.

December 11, 2015 9:30 A.M. Jurisprudence Examination

Victoria Dietz, Psy.D.	Michael Femenella, Ph.D.
Suah Kim, Ph.D.	Brian Legg, Psy.D.
Ashley Lyden, Psy.D.	Senya Mahler, Ph.D.
Elizabeth Topitzer, Psy.D.	Denise Wallack, Psy.D.

December 11, 2015 1:30 P.M. Jurisprudence Examination

Stacey Boyer, Psy.D.	Stephanie Glanville, Psy.D.
Alisha Gonzales, Psy.D.	Sara Kranzler, Psy.D.
Andrew Martin, Psy.D.	Claire McGrath, Ph.D.
Mary Rogevich, Ph.D.	Natalie Schuberth, Psy.D.
Erin O'Brien Veara, Ph.D.	

VI. REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY PERMIT

*Upon motion made by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, and seconded by Dr. Groveman, the following candidates were approved for the three-year temporary permit for the **supervised** practice of psychology. Voting in favor: all.*

Jacqueline Gallios, Psy.D.	Tiffany Leone-Vespa, Psy.D.
Jamie Lahongrais Frau, Psy.D.	

*Upon motion made by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, and seconded by Dr. Groveman, the following candidates were approved for the one-year temporary permit for the **unsupervised** practice of psychology. Voting in favor: all.*

Jessica Lazarus, Psy.D.

VII. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Letter from Milton Villafane-Bernard, Ph.D., TP #133-005

The Board reviewed the letter from Dr. Villafane-Bernard requesting an extension of his three (3) year temporary permit, which will expire on January 4, 2016. Dr. Villafane-Bernard requested a one (1) year extension to complete all hours required for licensure.

Upon motion made by Dr. Brickfield, and seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the Board voted to approve Dr. Villafane-Bernard for a six (6) month extension, with no further extensions to be granted. Dr. Villafane-Bernard will be informed that his permit will now expire on July 4, 2016. Voting in favor: all.

2. Letter from Ivan Lamourt, Psy.D., TP #133-029

The Board reviewed the letter from Dr. Lamourt requesting an extension of his three (3) year permit, which will expire on May 3, 2016. Dr. Lamourt requested a ninety (90) day extension of his permit to complete all exam requirements for licensure.

Upon motion made by Dr. Groveman, and seconded by Dr. Siglag, the Board voted to extend Dr. Lamourt's permit for ninety (90) days with no further extensions to be granted, so that he may complete all licensure requirements. Dr. Lamourt will be informed that his permit will now expire on August 3, 2016. Voting in favor: all.

3. Letter from Jessica Joseph, Ph.D., TP #133-011

The Board reviewed the letter from Dr. Joseph requesting an extension of her three (3) year permit, which will expire on January 6, 2016. Dr. Joseph requested an extension due to her maternity leave.

Upon motion made by Dr. Groveman, and seconded by Dr. Scott, the Board voted to approve Dr. Joseph for a six (6) month extension, with no further extensions to be granted, so that she may complete all licensure requirements. Dr. Joseph will be informed that her permit will now expire on July 6, 2016. Voting in favor: all.

4. Letter from Susanna Carew, Psy.D., TP #083-912

The Board reviewed the letter from Dr. Carew requesting an extension of her three (3) year permit, which expired on December 31, 2015 (Dr. Carew's permit was extended through today's meeting. Dr. Carew stated that she will sit for the E.P.P.P. on February 5, 2016 and asked for the extension to complete all licensure requirements.

Upon motion made by Dr. Brickfield, and seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the Board voted to approve Dr. Carew for a six (6) month extension of her permit, with no further extensions to be granted, so that she may complete all licensure requirements. Dr. Carew will be informed that her permit will now expire on July 4, 2016. Voting in favor: all.

VIII. REPORT ON PERMIT CONFERENCES

1. Karen Owen, Psy.D./ Michelle Zuckerman, Ph.D., supervisor

Dr. Owen appeared before a Committee of the Board to discuss her plans for retaking the E.P.P.P. Dr. Owen was informed that she may request extra time to complete the exam as English is her second language, and where to locate the feedback after taking the exam. Dr. Owen's permit will expire on June 9, 2016.

Upon motion made by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, and seconded by Dr. Siglag, the Board voted to inform Dr. Owen that the Board supports her plan for retaking the E.P.P.P. as soon as possible, with no changes to her current caseload. Dr. Owen works in an exempt setting and therefore does not need a permit extension. The Board will inform Dr. Owen's place of employment that she is not required to have a permit to work there. The Board will inform Dr. Owen that she is approved for extra time to take the exam, and that all feedback from the exam arrives via email to her with the scores from the A.S.P.P.B. Voting in favor: all.

2. Jonathan Hesney, Psy.D./ Lily Shinkar, Psy.D., supervisor

Dr. Hesney asked to reschedule his permit conference for the February 1, 2016 meeting.

IX. PUBLIC DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

None to review.

X. PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Jeffery Singer, Ph.D., New Jersey Psychological Association (NJPA)

Dr. Singer asked if the Board had set a date for submission of continuing education recommendations. The Board informed Dr. Singer the Committee will begin meeting this month to discuss continuing education, and NJPA is welcome to submit their suggestions at any time.

XIII. MEETING DATES FOR 2016

*February 1, 2016
March 7, 2016
April 4, 2016
May 2, 2016
June 6, 2016
July 11, 2016
August 8, 2016
September 12, 2016
October 3, 2016
November 7, 2016
December 5, 2016*

XIV. MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion by Dr. Groveman, seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the Board moved to Executive Session at 10:30 a.m. to discuss consumer complaints and potential disciplinary actions. Voting in favor all.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, seconded by Dr. Brickfield, the Board voted to return to Public Session. The meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m. Voting in favor: all.

Respectfully submitted,

Amie Wolf-Mehlman, Ph.D.
Secretary

APPROVED BY:

Date: Nancy E. Friedman, Ph.D.
Chair